

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are requested. Claims 18 – 45 are amended and new claim 26 is added.

Rejection of claims 18-45

The Examiner rejected claims 18-45 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. Applicants have amended claim 18 to clarify that this claim covers an audio-visual object browser system. This amendment does not narrow the scope of this claim. Applicants submit that this claim now conforms to section 112.

Rejection of claims 18-45

The Examiner rejected claims 18-45 under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the Examiner asserts that the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants have amended claims 18 – 45 to address this rejection and submit that the amended claims are patentable.

Applicants have also added new claim 46 which recites an audio-visual object browser stored on a computer-readable medium that controls a computing device to input MPEG-4 data having a scene description graph and data related to at least one object. Applicants submit that this claim is patentable as well.

CONCLUSION

Having addressed the rejection of claims, Applicants respectfully submit that the subject application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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